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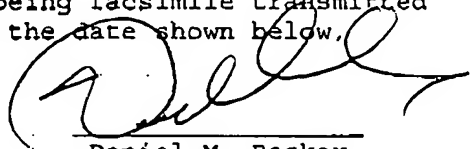
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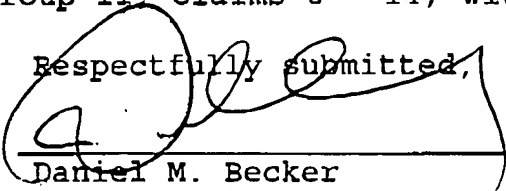
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed June 3, 2003, applicants elect Group II, claims 6 - 14, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,



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